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Sir:

**REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUATION OF
AN INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION**

This is a request for filing a **continuation** under 37 CFR 1.53(b), 35 USC 365(c) and 35 USC 120 of pending prior **International Application No. PCT/JP99/02093**, filed on April 20, 1999,

entitled: **NOISE CHECKING METHOD AND APPARATUS**, which designates the United States.

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The following is enclosed or is applicable:

- XX Specification - 116 pages, Claims - 21 pages, Abstract - 1 page.
- XX Drawings - 40 sheets of drawings.
- XX Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- XX An assignment of the invention to FUJITSU LIMITED.
- XX Preliminary Amendment
- XX Priority under 35 USC 119 claimed based on Japanese Appln. No. 10-132196, filed on May 14, 1998 and Japanese Appln. No. 10-277367 filed on September 30, 1998.
- XX Priority under 35 USC 120 claimed based on International Application No. PCT/JP99/02093 filed on April 20, 1999.
- XX Information Disclosure Statement with attached Form PTO-1449 (12 references and Intn'l. Search Report).
- XX A filing fee, calculated as shown below:

	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee \$710.00
Total Claims	36- 20	16	x 18.00	288.00
Independent Claims	2 - 3		x 80.00	
Multiple Dependent Claims			270.00	
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Fee for recording enclosed Assignment				40.00
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XX Our check in the amount of \$1,038.00 for patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 is enclosed. (\$710.00 for filing fee; \$288.00 for 16 extra claims and \$40.00 for Assignment Recordation fee).

XX The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment for any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2340. A duplicate of this sheet is attached.

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Enclosures: Spec.; Clms.; Abstr.; Decl.; Assign.; Pre-Amend.; Draws. (40 sheets);
2 cert. Pri-Docs.; IDS w/PTO-1449 (12 refs. and International Search Report).

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